

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

I, **Kirk W. Reimers**, a citizen of the United States of America, having a residence and post office address of 1536 Skyline Drive, Lincoln, Nebraska 68506 and I, **Dammika Weeratunga**, a citizen of Sri Lanka, having a residence and a post office address of 6601 Old Dominion Road, Lincoln, Nebraska 68516, do each hereby declare that:

I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is described and claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

ELECTRIC DRIVE MOWER WITH MOTOR GENERATOR SET

which is described and claimed in the specification filed on November 13, 1995, as application Serial No. 08/557,778, that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the specification, including the claims;

I do not know and do not believe the same was ever known or used in the United States of America before our invention thereof, or patented or described in any printed publication in any country before our invention thereof or more than one year prior to this application, or in public use or on sale in the United States of America more than one year prior to this application; that the invention has not been patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate issued before the date of this application in any country foreign to the United States of America on an application filed by me or my legal representatives or assigns more than twelve (12) months prior to this application;

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, section 1.56; and

No application for patent or inventor's certificate on this invention has been filed in any country foreign to the United States of America prior to this application by me or my legal representatives or assigns except as follows: NONE.

I hereby appoint Robert S. Nolan, Reg. No. 30,667, Joseph M. Lafata, Reg. No. 37,166, and each principal, attorney of counsel, associate and employee of Harness, Dickey & Pierce, P.L.C., who is a registered Patent Attorney, my attorney with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. I request the Patent and Trademark Office to direct all correspondence and telephone calls relative to this application to:

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made

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with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of this application or any patent issued thereon.

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